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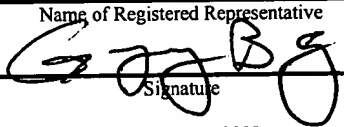
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TEXTILE REINFORCING LAYER FOR	)	
FLEXIBLE HOSES, TUBES AND	)	
SIMILAR EXTENDED OBJECTS	)	November 17, 2003

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 16, 2003,  
Applicants hereby submit a replacement claim amendment section, and request that the  
Examiner use the present claim amendment section in place of the one presented at pages  
2-4 of Applicants' Amendment in Response to Office Action dated September 12, 2003.

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